IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI NORTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PLAINTIFF

VS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:16-CV-489-CWR-RHWR

HINDS COUNTY, ET AL.

DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL

Pursuant to Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure 3(a)(1) and 4(a)(1)(A), notice is hereby given that the Defendants Hinds County Board of Supervisors and Hinds County Sheriff Tyree Jones (collectively, "Defendants") appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from the Court's February 4, 2022 Notice of Contempt [126]. Defendants recognize there remains pending a motion seeking termination of the consent decree that is under review by the Court and that the Court has not yet ordered a remedy related to the Notice of Contempt [126], but they file this a Notice of Appeal out of an abundance of caution to protect their right to appeal the Notice of Contempt [126].

Respectfully submitted, this the 5th day of April, 2022.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Nicholas F. Morisani, hereby certify that on this day, I filed the foregoing NOTICE OF INTERLOCUTORY APPEAL with the Clerk of the Court, using the CM/ECF system, which sent notification of such filing to all counsel of record in this matter.

Dated: April 5, 2022

/s/ Nicholas F. Morisani

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